

## IN THE MATTER OF THE *TEACHERS ACT*, SBC 2011 c. 19

## **AND**

## IN THE MATTER CONCERNING A TEACHER

## **CONSENT RESOLUTION SUMMARY**

This summary is published under section 54(3) of the Teachers Act to protect the identity of a student who was harmed, abused or exploited by the teacher.

- 1. The Teacher held a valid Professional Certificate of Qualification which was cancelled in 2016 due to non-payment of fees.
- 2. At all material times, the Teacher was employed as an elementary school teacher in British Columbia.
- 3. In November 2015, a school principal made a report to the Commissioner about the Teacher under s.7 of the *Independent Schools Act*. This is designated Case 01.
- 4. In late November 2015, the Commissioner initiated an investigation into the Teacher's conduct after learning that the Teacher had been charged with one count of sexual interference of a person under 16, one count of sexual exploitation and one count of sexual assault. This is designated Case 02.
- 5. In July 2016, the Commissioner suspended the Teacher's certificate of qualification under s.50 of the *Teachers Act*.
- 6. The following events occurred:
  - a. In November 2015, the Teachers was charged with:
    - i. one count of sexual interference of a person under the age of 16, contrary to section 151 of the *Criminal Code* ("Count 1");
    - ii. one count of sexual exploitation of a young person under the age of 18,

contrary to section 153 of the Criminal Code ("Count 2"); and

- iii. and one count of sexual assault, contrary to section 271 of the *Criminal Code* ("Count 3").
- b. In July 2016, the Teacher pleaded guilty to Count 2 and Count 3. At this time, Count 1 was stayed.
- c. In December 2016, the Teacher was sentenced to 18 months in prison and two years of probation on conditions in relation to Count 2. At this time, Count 3 was also stayed. The Court also ordered the Teacher to comply with the *Sexual Offender Information Registration Act* for a period of 20 years.
- d. The criminal proceedings are subject to a court-ordered publication ban under section 486.4 of the *Criminal Code*.
- 7. In November 2015, the Teacher resigned from the school at which he had been teaching.
- 8. On \_\_\_\_\_\_, the Teacher entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which the Teacher agreed that his conduct described in paragraph 6 above constitutes professional misconduct and is contrary to Standard #1 of the *Standards for the Education, Competence and Professional Conduct of Educators in British Columbia*, Fourth Edition, January 2012.
- 9. The Teacher agreed that he would never again apply for, and that the Director of Certification will never again issue to him, a certification of qualification, and independent school teaching certificate or a letter of permission.